

## Flood Mitigation Assistance Program

Part of the funding received each year under the FMA program is provided as planning grants. These funds can be used to develop or update a flood mitigation plan, or update the flood-related sections of a multi-hazard mitigation plan. Other activities can be included as eligible line items in a planning grant, such as surveying structures in the floodplain and assessments of repetitive loss structures. Having a flood mitigation plan will help your community identify its vulnerability to flooding and outline mitigation actions to reduce or eliminate damage from flooding. Plus, you must have a flood mitigation plan approved by FEMA in order to qualify for FMA project grants!! For assistance in applying for a FMA planning grant, contact Shawn Putnam ([putnams@dnr.sc.gov](mailto:putnams@dnr.sc.gov)). You can also download a guide on writing a scope of work for a planning grant from FEMA's website at

<http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1858>

## NFIP Quick Guide

The Community Assistance Program announces the release of its new 2007 Riverine Floodplains, Development, and Maps Quick Guide. The Quick Guides are currently being printed and will be available for review on the SCDNR Flood Mitigation website beginning June 25, 2007 at:

<http://www.dnr.sc.gov/water/flood/>.



## Training Calendar

**Course Name:** All You Need to Know About Your Flood Insurance Rate Maps

**Date:** June 20, 2007

**Description:** This class is a pre-requisite for Managing Floodplains through the NFIP course. Those who do not attend this class will not be able to register for the NFIP course. The mapping class will cover, but is not limited to the following items:

- 💧 How to read an engineers scale
- 💧 How to scale off the maps
- 💧 How to interpret and use the information on the map
- 💧 How to find the information you need in the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and apply it
- 💧 What is a Digital FIRM (DFIRM)
- 💧 How to access maps on line
- 💧 Mapping reading exercise
- 💧 LOMC's

**Cost:** Free if attending 3-day course on July 11-12, 2007 entitled Managing Floodplains through the NFIP, otherwise cost will be \$45.00.

**Course Name:** Managing Floodplains through the NFIP

**Dates:** July 10-12, 2007

**Description:** This is a three day course is designed to provide an organized training opportunity for local officials responsible for administering their local floodplain management ordinance. The course will focus on the NFIP and concepts of floodplain management, maps

and studies, ordinance administration, and the relationship between floodplain management and flood insurance.

**Prerequisite course:** All You Need to Know about Your Flood Insurance Rate Maps

**Cost:** 125.00 per person

\*Register for both courses online at <http://www.dnr.sc.gov/water/flood/training.html>

\*\*Separate registration required for both courses.

\*\*\*Make Checks payable to: SC State Treasurer and mail to:

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Training provided in conjunction with Midlands Technical College Northeast Campus. For directions and campus information:

<http://www.mtctraining.com/maps.htm>

## Map Modernization

The Map Modernization Program is getting ready to kick off four new studies this month along our coast. During the week of June 25th scoping meetings will be held in Charleston, Colleton, Georgetown, and Jasper counties. Additionally, two 90-Day appeals periods are coming to an end. Please note all appeals must be received by June 21, 2007 for York County Sugar Creek area and July 23, 2007 for Spartanburg County.